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1. (U) A MEETING OF THE JOINT BRAZIL-U.S. MILITARY COMMISSION,
(JBUSMC), ALL DESIGNATED MEMBERS OF BOTH THE BRAZILIAN AND U.S.
DELEGATIONS BEING PRESENT WAS HELD 10 SEP 1974, IN RIO DE JANEIRO.
THE LAST MEETING OF THE JBUSMC WAS HELD 10 MAY 1968, AT WHICH TIME
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ACTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE TERMINATION OF MAP-M WERE DISCUSSED.

2. (U) THE THREE HOUR MEETING WAS CONVENED AT THE REQUEST OF THE U.S. DELEGATION FOR THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF EXPLAINING "U.S. PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING PROCEDURES". IN ADDITION THE U.S. SIDE DESIRED TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE RELATED TO FMSCR REQUIREMENTS FOR FY 1975 AND FY 1976 AND TO CONDUCT PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS ASSOCIATED WITH POSSIBLE AGREEMENTS FOR EXCHANGE OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION AND OF PERSONNEL. TIME CONSTRAINTS DID NOT PERMIT DISCUSSION OF THE LATTER TWO INITIATIVES FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO ARMED FORCES.

3. (C) THE PRESENTATIONS BY THE U.S. DELEGATION WAS WELL RECEIVED, ESPECIALLY SINCE IT PROMISED NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE TWO DELEGATIONS TO WORK TOGETHER IN THE FUTURE DURING THE DEVELOPMENT OF PLANS AND PROGRAMS ASSOCIATED WITH SECURITY ASSISTANCE. MATERIAL PRESENTED WAS ALL TAKEN FROM UNCLASSIFIED SOURCES. THAT ASSOCIATED WITH THE FIRST TOPIC IN GENERAL BEING OBTAINED FROM THE MIL ASSISTANCE MANUAL, CHAPTER D, PART 1, WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO PARA 3 ON FOREIGN COUNTRY PARTICIPATION IN THE PLANNING PROCESS. THE PRINCIPAL THRUST OF THE PRESENTATION WAS TO ENCOURAGE CLOSER COLLABORATION IN THE U.S. PLANNING PROCESS AND TO ENCOURAGE LONGER RANGE PLANNING AND MORE ACCURATE PROJECTIONS OF BRAZILIAN REQUIREMENTS.

4. (C) THE SECOND TOPIC HAS ITS ORIGIN IN THE AUTHORITY IN PARA 6, REF B, PARA 5, REF A, TO DISCUSS APPROPRIATE MILITARY REQUIREMENTS WITH HOST COUNTRY OFFICIALS WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE AMBASSADOR PROVIDED NO DOLLAR PLANNING LEVELS ARE REVEALED OR IMPLIED. THIS ACTION WHICH BEGAN WITH THE RECEIPT OF REF (B) HAS BEEN CONTINUOUS SINCE THAT TIME, IT BEING UNDERSTOOD THAT THE BRAZILIAN DELEGATION WOULD PROVIDE THE U.S. DEL WITH A LIST OF THEIR TRI-SERVICE FMSCR REQUIREMENTS FOR INCORPORATION IN OUR PLANNING DOCUMENTS. DURING THE GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THIS TOPIC THE POSSIBLE LIMITATIONS ON THE AVAILABILITY OF FMSCR WAS EMPHASIZED. SIMILARLY THE POLICY STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN REF (C), CONCERNING PRICE, AVAILABILITY, AND CONDITIONS OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT WERE CLEARLY RELAYED TO THE BRAZILIAN OFFICIALS. DURING THE MEETING THE BRAZILIAN DELEGATION STATED THAT LISTS OF THEIR FMSCR REQUIREMENTS FOR FY 75 AND 76 WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE DURING THE MONTH OF SEP 74. THE U.S. DEL HAS NO FURTHER INFORMATION AT THIS TIME CONCERNING THE NATURE AND AMOUNT OF THESE REQUIREMENTS, HOWEVER, THE BRAZILIAN DEL AND

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THEIR MINISTRIES ARE GENERALLY FAMILIAR WITH THE UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION EARLIER PRESENTED TO THE CONGRESS.

5. (C) THE PRESIDENT OF THE MILITARY COMMISSION INDICATED THAT THE LAST TWO TOPICS SHOULD BE DISCUSSED AT A SUBSEQUENT MEETING OF THE COMMISSION, PROBABLY TO BE HELD IN OCTOBER, AT WHICH TIME THE BRAZILIAN DELEGATION WOULD BE PREPARED TO PRESENT ITS POSITION ON THE VARIOUS US-BRAZILIAN AGREEMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH OUR TRADITIONAL COOPERATIVE MILITARY RELATIONSHIPS. IT WAS

NOT POSSIBLE AT THAT TIME TO OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING THE NATURE AND SCOPE OF THE AGREEMENTS TO BE DISCUSSED. HOWEVER, ON 9 SEP, A LENGTHY AND FULL MEETING OF THE BRAZILIAN DELEGATION WAS HELD AND IT IS POSSIBLE AND LIKELY THAT OUR AGREEMENTS AND PROCEDURES WERE THE TOPICS BEING DISCUSSED. SEE REF (D) WHICH OBTAINS.

6. (C) THE MEETING TERMINATED IN A MOST CORDIAL MANNER, WITH THE USUAL STRONG WORDS OF PRAISE FROM THE PRESIDENT CONCERNING THE TRADITIONAL BRAZILIAN-U.S. RELATIONSHIPS AND THE EFFORTS OF THE U.S. DELEGATION IN THAT REGARD.

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